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FOLLOWING REPEAT DAR ES SALAAM 3242 ACTION SECSTATE 6 SEP 76

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DEPARTMENT PASS SECRETARY AND AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE

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SUBJECT: AFRICAN PRESIDENTS' MEETING

1. ACCORDING TO FOREIGN MINISTRY EUROPE AND AMERICAS DIRECTOR MUGANDA MID-DAY SEPTEMBER 6, FIVE PRESIDENTS HAVE BEEN MEETING ALONE WITH NETO SERVING AS ENGLISH-PORTUGUESE INTERPRETER FOR MACHEL. TONIGHT OR TOMORROW MORNING, WHEN THEY ARE FINISHED, THEY WILL GET TOGETHER WITH LIBERATION LEADERS WHO ARE CURRENTLY BEING HAND-HELD BY TANZANIAN OFFICIALS.

2. ONLY CLUE TO SUBSTANCE OF MEETINGS THUS FAR IS MUGANDA'S SUGGESTION THAT NETO MAY, IN VIEW OF HIS OWN EXPERIENCE, BE LEERY OF ANY GOVERNMENT NATIONAL UNITY APPROACH FOR ZIMBABWEANS.

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3. IN COURSE, DISCUSSION, I EXPRESSED PERSONAL CONCERN ABOUT

IDEA FLOATING ABOUT THAT US URGENCY ON SOUTHERN AFRICA IS CONNECTED
WITH AMERICAN ELECTIONS, USING POINTS IN STATE 216770 FROM EAGLEBURGE
R.

MUGANDA THEN READ ME MEMO HE HAD WRITTEN FOR PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN
MINISTER IN WHICH HE MADE VIRTUALLY SAME POINTS ON BASIS HIS
SEVERAL YEARS EXPERIENCE IN US. MUGANDA SAID THERE WAS NO NEED
WORRY ABOUT THIS PROBLEM. FOREIGN MINISTER HAS BEE IN HIS
BONNET BUT PRESIDENT KNEW BETTER. I WILL STILL TRY TO FOLLOW
UP WHEN I GET OPPORTUNITY. SPAIN
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